Essential Words for Spelling and Writing.

The 290 words in Essential Lists One to Seven are used often when we write. Together, they make up about three-quarters of most writing, so they are important. The words in List One are used most often, the words in List Two next most often, and so on.

Essential List One (10 words; 25% of Writing)

a	and	I	in	it	my	the	to	was	we	
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Essential List Two (20 words; 15% of Writing)

at	but	for	got	had	he	is	me	of	on
she	so	that	then	there	they	ир	went	when	you

Essential List Three (30 words; 10% of Writing)

about	after	all	are	as	back	be	because	came	day
down	get	go	going	have	her	his	home	into	just
like	mum	not	one	our	out	said	some	were	with

Essential List Four (50 words; 10% of Writing)

again	an	around	big	by	can	come	could	dad	did
do	first	food	from	good	has	him	house	if	little
next	night	no	now	off	old	only	or	other	over
people	put	ran	saw	school	see	started	their	them	this
time	took	two	us	very	well	what	will	would	your

Essential List Five (50 words; 5% of Writing)

am	another	away	bed	been	before	best	brother	called	car
door	everyone	family	five	found	friend	fun	heard	here	know
last	left	long	looked	made	man	more	morning	name	never
once	play	really	room	something	still	thing	think	thought	three
through	told	too	walked	want	way	where	which	who	year

Essential List Six (70 words; 5% of Writing)

also	always	asked	black	boy	bus	cat	coming	cool	dark
decided	dog	eat	end	even	every	eyes	fell	felt	find
four	gave	getting	great	head	hit	how	inside	its	it's
I'll	I'm	jump	knew	later	life	live	lot	lunch	make
minutes	most	much	nice	opened	outside	place	ready	ride	right
run	say	sister	sleep	suddenly	take	tell	ten	top	town
tree	turned	until	wanted	water	while	why	window	woke	yes

Essential List Seven (50 words; 10% of Writing)

any	baby	bad	ball	being	bit	boat	bought	camp	dead
died	doing	each	ever	everything	face	fast	father	few	finally
finished	game	girl	gone	ground	guard	hand	happened	happy	help
hole	hot	hour	let	look	many	money	mother	myself	new
parents	picked	playing	presents	road	side	small	sometimes	soon	stay
stop	swimming	tea	than	tried	under	wait	won	work	world